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(57) Abstract: There is provided a compound of formula I, wherein the dashed line, R^1, R^2, R^{3a}, R^{3b}, A, D, E, G and L have meanings given in the description, which compounds are useful as, or are useful as prodrugs of, competitive inhibitors of trypsin-like proteases, such as thrombin, and thus, in particular, in the treatment of conditions where inhibition of thrombin is beneficial (e.g. conditions, such as thrombo-embolisms, where inhibition of thrombin is required or desired, and/or conditions where anticoagulant therapy is indicated).